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SUBJECT: TEXTILES

REF: HONG KONG 11093

TOKYO FOR ANGEVINE

1. IN SPITE OF FACT THAT TEXTILE EXPORTER'S REQUEST PER
REFTEL APPEARS, ON THE SURFACE AT LEAST, TO BE SIMPLE AND
STRAIGHTFORWARD, IT POSES SEVERAL PROBLEMS IN IMPLEMENTATION
BY USG.

2. DEPARTMENT RECEIVED SIMILAR REQUEST FROM HERMANN OF UK
EMBASSY HERE LAST WEEK. USG AGENCIES INVOLVED DISCUSSED
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PROBLEM ATLENGTH, BUT COULD FIND NO WAY TO OVERCOME FACT

THAT US CUSTOMS USES ACTUAL DATE OF EXPORT, AS STATED ON AIRLINE MANIFEST, TO REPORT IMPORTS FROM HONG KONG.

3. THERE IS ADDITIONAL FACTOR THAT ALL OUR BILATERAL TRADING PARTNERS FACE THIS SORT OF PROBLEM NEAR THE END OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AGREEMENT YEARS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE CERTAINLY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH EXACERBATE THE PROBLEM IN HONG KONG'S CASE THIS YEAR, BUT THERE ARE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF ONE SORT OR ANOTHER FACING SOME OF OUR TRADING PARTNERS EVERY YEAR.

4. WE POINTED OUT TO HERMANN THAT IT WAS FOR THIS SORT OF CONTINGENCY, INTER ALIA, THAT PROVISION FOR ELEVEN PERCENT CARRY OVER IS INCLUDED IN BILATERAL AGREEMENTS, AND SUGGESTED THAT HKG DETERMINE IF THAT WOULD NOT SUBSTANTIALLY TAKE CARE OF PROBLEM, SINCE, AS CONGEN POINTS OUT REFTTEL, MANY QUOTAS ARE SUBSTANTIALLY UNDERUTILIZED.

5. AT PRESENT, USG IS UNABLE TO ACCEDE TO EXPORTER'S REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TREATMENT AT END OF YEAR. KISSINGER

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